

United States Patent and Trademark Office

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE United States Patent and Trademark Office Address: COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS Washington, D.C. 20231 www.uspto.gov

APPLICATION NO.	FILING DATE	FIRST NAMED INVENTOR	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.	CONFIRMATION NO.
09/401,326	09/23/1999	KYOUNG KIM	117694/KIM3	4525
30594 7	04/22/2003			
HARNESS, DICKEY & PIERCE, P.L.C.			EXAMINER	
P.O. BOX 8910 RESTON, VA 20195			VANDERPUYE, KENNETH N	
			. ART UNIT	PAPER NUMBER
			2661	
		DATE MAILED: 04/22/2003		i

Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

•		Application No.	Applicant(s)				
Office Action Summary							
		09/401,326	KIM, KYOUNG				
		Examiner	Art Unit				
	The MAILING DATE of this communication an	Kenneth N Vanderpuye	2661				
The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address Period for Reply							
A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 3 MONTH(S) FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION. - Extensions of time may be available under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). In no event, however, may a reply be timely filed after SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication. - If the period for reply specified above is less than thirty (30) days, a reply within the statutory minimum of thirty (30) days will be considered timely. - If NO period for reply is specified above, the maximum statutory period will apply and will expire SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication. - Failure to reply within the set or extended period for reply will, by statute, cause the application to become ABANDONED (35 U.S.C. § 133). - Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of this communication, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).							
1)	Responsive to communication(s) filed on	·					
2a) <u></u> □	This action is FINAL . 2b)⊠ Th	nis action is non-final.					
3) Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under <i>Ex parte Quayle</i> , 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.							
	on of Claims	PP					
•	4) Claim(s) 2-11 and 13-27 is/are pending in the application.						
	4a) Of the above claim(s) is/are withdrawn from consideration.						
5)⊠ Claim(s) <u>3,4,14 and 15</u> is/are allowed.							
-	6) Claim(s) 2, 5-11, 13, 16-27 is/are rejected.						
7) Claim(s) is/are objected to.							
8) Claim(s) are subject to restriction and/or election requirement. Application Papers							
9) The specification is objected to by the Examiner.							
10) The drawing(s) filed on is/are: a) □ accepted or b) □ objected to by the Examiner.							
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).							
11)☐ The proposed drawing correction filed on is: a)☐ approved b)☐ disapproved by the Examiner.							
If approved, corrected drawings are required in reply to this Office action.							
12) The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner.							
Priority under 35 U.S.C. §§ 119 and 120							
13) Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).							
a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:							
	1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.						
	2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No						
 3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)). * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received. 							
14) Acknowledgment is made of a claim for domestic priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) (to a provisional application).							
 a) ☐ The translation of the foreign language provisional application has been received. 15)☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for domestic priority under 35 U.S.C. §§ 120 and/or 121. 							
Attachment	i(s)						
2) Notice	e of References Cited (PTO-892) e of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) nation Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449) Paper No(s) _	5) 🔲 Notice of Informal I	y (PTO-413) Paper No(s) Patent Application (PTO-152)				

Application/Control Number: 09/401,326 Page 2

Art Unit: 2661

DETAILED ACTION

Claim Rejections - 35 U.S.C. § 112

1. The following is a quotation of the second paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112:

The specification shall conclude with one or more claims particularly pointing out and distinctly claiming the subject matter which the applicant regards as his invention.

2. Claims 2, 5-11, 13, 16-27 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention.

With regards to the above claims, the use of the word change is confusing because it is not clear in what context it is being used. For example on 8 of the specification, changes are represented in equation 4 by the differences between old and new values (claims 3, 14). In equations 5, and 7 in pages 8 and 9 respectively the load level is calculated as a function of new or the most recent values. Hence the same word change is used to mean two different things.

Claim Rejections - 35 U.S.C. § 102

3. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless -

- (b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.
- 4. Claims are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Fleming et al(WO 97/13334).

Application/Control Number: 09/401,326 Page 3

Art Unit: 2661

With regards to claims 24, 26 Fleming teaches a method/system for controlling call admissions in a communications network, comprising:

calculating a load level as a function of a change in measured power(p. 9, lines 33-35, the measured power measured at any one time may or may not represent a change); and controlling said admission based on the calculated load level(allow or deny call attempt)

With regards to claims 25, 27 Fleming teaches a method/system for controlling call admissions in a communications network, comprising:

calculating a load level as a function of a change in the number of users(p. 7, lines 15-17, the number of calls measured at any one time may or may not represent a change); and controlling said admission based on the calculated load level(allow or deny call attempt).

Allowable Subject Matter

5. Claims 3-4, 14-15 are allowed.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Kenneth Vanderpuye whose telephone number is (703) 308-7828. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F from 6:30am to 4:00pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Doug Olms, can be reached on (703) -305-4703. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is (703) 872-9314.

Art Unit: 2661

Kenneth Vanderpuye

April 20, 2003